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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Intelligence Community Exemption to Consultant  
Registration Amendment to the Defense Appropriations  
Bill.

1. Jay Kimmitt of the Defense Subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee called today to inform me that the Conferees had agreed to an Intelligence Community exemption to the Pryor amendment to the Defense Appropriations Act requiring registration of consultants with the Defense Department.

2. According to Kimmitt the Act itself has been amended to exempt the Intelligence Community agencies cited in Subsection 3.4(e) of Executive Order 12333. The amendment will require the DCI to report annually to the appropriate Congressional Committees on those consultants who were not required to register with DOD for intelligence reasons. When I asked Kimmitt who the Conferees had in mind in referring to "appropriate Congressional Committees", Kimmitt reported that there had been a discussion of this issue during conference. The Conferees disagreed as to whether the DCI should report to the Appropriations Committees or to the oversight committees. Since they could not decide, they used the word "appropriate", leaving the decision to the DCI.

3. When I told Kimmitt that amending the act itself was more than I was seeking (all I had pressed for was report language), Kimmitt explained that several Members, especially Pryor, had been sensitized to protecting intelligence interests. Apparently the staff from the Federal Services Subcommittee did talk with Pryor about our problems.

4. I will obtain a copy of the Conferees report and provide to appropriate DA offices.

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